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Amendments to the Claims:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 (c), the following listing of all claims in the application replaces all previous versions and listings of claims:

- (Previously presented) A safety seat comprising:
 - (a) a winged head rest, the head rest having:
 - (i) a rear head support,
- (ii) forwards-and-sideways extending support wings, fixed to the rear head support at respective opposite sides thereof and
- (iii) deformable extensions of the support wings, each extension being hingedly connected to its support wing remote from the rear head support and normally extending obliquely forwards and laterally outwards of its support wing.
- (b) whereby on lateral impact including impact of the winged headrest with a side part of a vehicle with the extension on the impacted side striking the side part first, the extension hinges inwards.
- (Original) A safety seat as claimed in claim 1, wherein the deformable extensions are formed integrally with support wings.
- 3. (Original) A safety seat as claimed in claim 1, wherein the rear head support, the support wings and the deformable extensions are an integral injection moulding with living hinges being provided between the support wings and the extensions.
- 4-10. (Canceled)
- 11. (Previously presented) A safety seat comprising a wingedged head rest, the

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head rest having:

- (a) a rear head support and
- (b) forwards-and-sideways extending support wings, fixed to the rear head support at respective opposite sides thereof
 - (c) deformable lining wings for the support wings, each lining wing
- being secured to the headrest at a root between the rear head support and its support wing and
 - (ii) abutting the distal end of its support wing and
 - (iii) defining a void between itself and its support wing.

whereby on lateral impact including impact of the head of an occupant of the safety seat with one of the lining wings, head acceleration energy is absorbed in deformation of the lining wing towards its support wing.

- 12. (Original) A safety seat as claimed in claim 11, wherein the deformable lining wings each have a forwards extension past the distal end of its support wing, whereby on such lateral impact, as the lining wing is deformed towards its support wing, it pivots about the distal end and the forwards extension is pivotally moved inwards with respect to the lateral extent of the wings.
- 13. (Original) A safety seat as claimed in claim 12, wherein the lining wings and their forwards extension are of uniform cross-section.
- 14. (Original) A safety seat as claimed in claim 12, wherein the lining wings and their forwards extension are provided with a hinge line therebetween close to but set in from the respective distal end, whereby they are weakened to enable the hinge lines to abut the support wings on deformation to provide predictable inwards movement of the support wings.

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 (Original) A safety seat as claimed in claim 14, wherein the weakening is a living hinge.

16. (Currently amended) A safety seat as claimed in claim 11, wherein the lining wings are provided with energy absorbent pads on their sides away from their support wings, i.e. on their inner sides further comprising an energy absorbent pad positioned on a side of the deformable lining about a seat occupant's head.

17. (Previously presented) A safety seat as claimed in claim 11, wherein the lining wings and their pads where provided, together with their crosspiece where provided, are covered with upholstery fabric.

- 18. (New) A safety seat comprising:
 - (a) a winged head rest, the head rest comprising:
 - (i) a rear head support, and
- (ii) forwards-and-sideways extending support wings fixed to the rear head support at respective opposite sides thereof and defining distal edges; and
- (b) a deformable lining secured to the winged head rest, the deformable lining comprising:
 - (i) a head support crosspiece, and
- (ii) deformable wings fixed to the crosspiece, the deformable wings extending beyond the support wings and divided into front and rear portions by a hinge positioned within the distal edges of the support wings;
- (c) whereby on lateral impact of the winged headrest with a side part of a vehicle the front portions of the deformable wings hinge inwards.

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- 19. (New) A safety seat as claimed in claim 18, wherein the lining abuts the distal ends of the support wings and defines voids between itself and the support wings, whereby on lateral impact including impact of the head of an occupant of the safety seat with one of the deformable wings:
- (i) head acceleration energy is absorbed in deformation of the deformable wing towards its support wing and
- (ii) as the deformable wing is deformed towards its support wing, the front portion extending past the distal edge of its support wing pivots about the distal edge and moves inwards with respect to the support wing.
- 20. (New) A safety seat as claimed in claim 18, further comprising an energy absorbent pad positioned on a side of the deformable lining about a seat occupant's head
- 21. (New) A safety seat as claimed in claim 20, wherein the energy absorbent pad is covered with an upholstery fabric.